crores has been detected in the New York Branch of the Bank of India; and

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the names and designations of the operators of the racket and their modus operandi?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKHAR MURTHY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Bank of India has reported that Shri G. C. Kathrani, former Senior Vice-President of its New York branch had in pursuance of a criminal conspiracy with certain borrowers in USA and some unknown officers of the Bank and private parties, misused his official position and granted various credit facilities by exceeding his delegated authority and without ascertaining the financial status of the borrowers and without making required credit assessment including pre-sanction/post sanction inspection.

Insurance Claims of Trawler Owners of Andhra Pradesh

5484. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:
SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that certain trawler owners in Andhra Pradesh have claimed insurance amount on the ground that their trawlers were drowned in the Sea;

(b) if so, the number and amount of such claims made and settled;

(c) whether the Orissa trawlers Owners Association has complained that the trawlers had not actually drowned but were sold to some persons in Orissa; and

(d) if so, whether any inquiry has been made into the complaints; if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKHAR MURTHY): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) GIC have reported that from 1989 onwards a total number of 32 claims for sinking of trawlers have been received by its four subsidiaries. Of these 7 claims have been paid for a total amount of Rs. 44.82 lakhs while 2 claims have been repudiated. The balance 23 claims estimated at an amount of Rs. 2.79 crores are currently under investigation/process.

(c) GIC have reported that no such complaint has been received.

(d) Does not arise.

Bank Deposits in Punjab

5485. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state: (a) what is the total amount of deposits in the Banks made in Punjab during 1990-91, 1991-92, 1992-93 and the period ending in March 1994;

(b) the total amount of loans given in Punjab in the aforesaid period to the farmers, big industrialists and Small Scale Industries, and

(c) what was the percentage of deposits and loan given year-wise during the same period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKHAR MURTHY): (a) and (c) Total deposits and advances of all Scheduled Commercial Bank in Punjab as on last Friday of March 1991, 1992, 1993 and September 1993 (latest available) and also the advance as percentage of total deposits are given below:—

As on the last Friday of	Depposits (Rs. crores)	Advances (Rs. crores)	Advances as % of total Deposits
March 1991	9921.47	4445.79	44.8
March 1992	11063.84	4668.76	42.2
March 1993	12661.11	5383.00	42.5
Sept. 1993	13331.03	5359.43	40.2